Beginning: THE WHITE PRINCESS
MAGGIE APPEARS TO BE AN ORDINARY STENO IN AN ORDINARY JOB.
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..BUT SHE DOESN'T DREAM OF BEING A MOVIE STAR..
YOUR AUTOGRAPH, PLEASE!
ONE AT A TIME
HUH.. SHE SIGNED WITH AN X.
..OR A NORMAL, HAPPY HOUSEWIFE.
NO, MAGGIE DREAMS OF HERSELF AS A WHITE GODDESS IN SOME REMOTE JUNGLE!
WILSON McCOY 4-1
WHILE MAGGIE JITTERBUGS.
HOW DULL!
YIPPEE!
WILSON McCOY 4-2
.SHE DREAMS OF A WILD NATIVE DANCE..WITH HERSELF THE WHITE GODDESS.
HEY, MAGGIE, DON'T YOU LIKE ME ANY MORE?
BUDDY, DID YOU EVER SPEAR A LION?
SPEAR A LION? IS SHE DAFFY?
OH, I'M SO BORED.. SO BORED!
.."AND YOUR GROSS OF JARS SHOULD ARRIVE PROMPTLY." PLEASE TYPE THAT AT ONCE.
YES, MR. KLUMPF.
LATER
MAGGIE, COME IN HERE! WHAT IS THIS? I SAID JARS, NOT 'JUNGLE'-AND ARRIVE, NOT 'AFRICA!'
IF YOUR WORK DOESN'T IMPROVE, SOMETHING MUST BE DONE! I SUGGEST YOU STUDY YOUR SHORTHAND TONIGHT!
YES, MR. KRUMPF.
BUT DOES MAGGIE STUDY HER SHORTHAND THAT NIGHT?
4-3
SOME DAY...
The WHITE PRINCESS

SHE TYPED 'LION' FOR 'LINE'-'TIGER' INSTEAD OF 'TIRE'-THIS IS THE END! MAGGIE-MAGGIE!
MAGGIE, I'VE BEEN PATIENT WITH YOU-BUT YOUR WORK IS IMPOSSIBLE! I MUST FIND A NEW SECRETARY!
YES, MR. KLUMPF.
I'M SORRY ABOUT THIS. I SUGGEST YOU GO BACK TO SCHOOL AND STUDY SHORTHAND-
I'M GOING TO STUDY BONGO DRUMS!
AND I'M NOT GOING TO SCHOOL! I'M GOING TO THE JUNGLE!
WILSON McCOY 4-4
HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO GO TO THE DEEPEST, MOST UNCIVILIZED JUNGLE?
HMM-THERE'S AFRICA-THE AMAZON-
TRAVEL AGENCY
HERE'S CENTRAL BENGALI-IT SAYS "NO WHITE MAN HAS EVER PENETRATED THE REMOTE..."
THAT'S IT!
AFRICA
NORWAY
ARE YOU WRITING ABOUT THIS FOR YOUR COLLEGE PAPER?
WRITING? I'M GOING TO LIVE THERE!
I'VE GOT ENOUGH SAVINGS TO DO IT! I CAN GO THERE AND BE THE GODDESS!
WILSON McCOY 4-5
THE WHITE PRINCESS
I WANT A COSTUME-THE KIND A WHITE GODDESS WOULD WEAR IN THE JUNGLE-YOU KNOW, WITH FEATHERS.
HMM-WE HAVE SOMETHING
COSTUMES
EXACTLY WHAT I HAD IN MIND!
IS THIS A RENTAL FOR A COSTUME PARTY?
WILSON McCOY 4-6
I'LL TAKE TWO JUST LIKE THAT. NOT TO RENT-TO BUY.
TWO? OH-IS THIS FOR SOME ACT?
NO, I'M GOING TO WEAR THEM ALL THE TIME! NATURALLY, I'LL NEED THE SECOND WHILE ONE IS BEING CLEANED!
?

HOW DO I LOOK, BUDDY?
WOW! MAGGIE, ARE YOU OUT OF YOUR EVER-LOVIN' MIND?
PUTTING ALL YOUR SAVINGS INTO THAT AND A PLANE TICKET TO BENGALI - WHEREVER THAT IS.
IT'S WHAT I WANT TO DO.
THAT MONEY WAS FOR YOUR-OUR-TROUSSEAU.
DEAR, I CAN'T MARRY YOU. I TOLD YOU THAT. THIS LIFE STIFLES ME!
BUT YOU CAN'T GO OFF ALONE INTO A JUNGLE!
CAN'T I? WAIT AND SEE-- TOMORROW!
WILSON McCOY 4-8
I CALLED MR. KLUMPF. HE SAID HE'D GIVE YOU ANOTHER CHANCE.
HURRY--I DON'T WANT TO MISS MY PLANE!
YOU CAN SEE ALL YOU WANT OF A JUNGLE-IN AN AIR-CONDITIONED MOVIE!
SILLY BOY, YOU JUST CAN'T UNDERSTAND.
WILSON McCOY 4-9
PARKING
BUT WHY ARE YOU GOING AWAY? WHEN WILL YOU BE BACK?
NEVER-AND I CAN'T TELL YOU MY SECRET.
IT'S REALLY TRUE-I'M GOING! OFF TO BENGALI-TO ADVENTURE --TO BE THE WHITE GODDESS!
WILSON McCOY 4-10
ARRIVING BENGALI AIRPORT FIVE MINUTES PLEASE FASTEN YOUR SEAT BELTS.
FIVE MINUTES-I'LL BE THERE! VOODOO DRUMS-WILD NATIVE DANCES-DISTANT ROAR OF LIONS. PARROTS IN THE TREES.
I WON'T TELL THEM I'M THE WHITE GODDESS, BUT THEY'LL KNOW-- OH-WE'RE LANDING!
LUGGAGE CHECKS, PLEASE. GO TO CUSTOMS SHED. WILL YOU WANT A TAXI, OR HAVE YOU YOUR OWN CAR?
GATE 4
?

WHAT HOTEL, MISS?
I DONT WANT TO GO TO A HOTEL WHERE'S THE JUNGLE?
THAT'S INLAND, MISS. WE'RE ON THE COAST.
CAN YOU TAKE ME TO THE JUNGLE?
TAXI
IN A TAXI? NO, MA'M!
THEN WHO CAN?
WILSON McCOY 4-11
YOU MIGHT ASK 'EM IN THERE. THEY KNOW ABOUT SUCH THINGS.
THANK YOU.
JUNGLE PATROL
A GIRL WANTS TO KNOW ABOUT ENTERING THE JUNGLE ALONE? IS SHE--ODD?
SHE'S QUITE A LOOKER, SIR.
Col WEEKS
I WANT TO FIND OUT HOW TO GET THERE.
WHY? OUR JOB IS TO POLICE THE JUNGLE BORDERS. WE NEVER GO THERE.
'WHY' IS MY OWN BUSINESS.
HMM-BETTER CHANGE YOUR BUSINESS. NO EXPLORER -MAN OR WOMAN-HAS EVER BEEN THERE.
IT'S A PLACE OF EX-CANNIBALS, EX-HEADHUNTERS- MAYBE NOT 'EX'. WE'RE NOT SURE-
THAT'S PERFECT- WONDERFUL!
WILSON McCOY 4-12
I'M SORRY, MISS. THE JUNGLE PATROL CANNOT ADVISE-NOR PERMIT YOU TO TRAVEL TO THE INTERIOR, ALONE.
EVEN WITH A WELL-ARMED SAFARI, IT WOULD BE DANGEROUS. SORRY.
GOOD BYE-
Col Weeks JUNGLE PATROL
I'VE COME ALL THIS WAY-AND SPENT MOST OF MY MONEY-TO BE THE WHITE GODDESS. BUT HOW CAN I--
WILSON McCOY 4-13
SCENIC JUNGLE FLIGHT
Half-hour
$15
flights every hour

YOU WANT TO FLY THAT FAR? BUT THAT'S ABOUT THREE HOURS OVER THE INTERIOR!
I WANT TO GO. CAN YOU TAKE ME?

YES, BUT IT'LL COST A LOT MORE.
I'LL PAY. WE'LL WEAR PARACHUTES, OF COURSE.

IT'S NOT USUAL. YOU CAN IF YOU LIKE. HOW SOON DO YOU WANT TO GO?
RIGHT AWAY. I'LL JUST NEED A FEW MINUTES.

I'M SO WARM. I'LL CHANGE INTO SOMETHING LIGHTER. THEN WE CAN LEAVE WITH PARACHUTES.
WILSON McCOY 4-15

WILSON McCOY 4-16
THERE - I'LL PUT THE HEADDRESS WITH THE DUPLICATE OUTFIT.

YOU WON'T NEED A TOPCOAT, MISS. I THOUGHT YOU WERE ALREADY TOO WARM.
I'M QUITE ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU.

HERE'S YOUR PARACHUTE. BUT THERE'S NO DANGER.
CAN I PUT IT ON NOW? WILL YOU SHOW ME HOW IT WORKS?

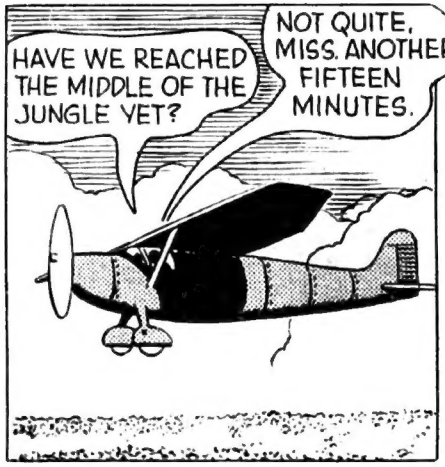
THANK YOU. NOW MAY I PAY YOU FOR THE FLIGHT?
IN ADVANCE? IF YOU WISH. MOST FOLKS PAY ON RETURN.

MISS, YOU CAN LEAVE YOUR SUIT CASE IN MY OFFICE.
NO, THANKS, I'LL TAKE IT WITH ME.
SCENIC JUNGLE FLIGHT

WHY TAKE IT ALONG? IT'LL BE SAFE HERE.
I'D RATHER TAKE IT. CAN WE GO NOW?

SHE'S AN ODD ONE - BUT YOU GET ALL KINDS IN THIS BUSINESS.
SO MANY QUESTIONS! WILL I EVER GET THERE?

WILSON McCOY 4-17
AT LAST!


HAVE WE REACHED THE MIDDLE OF THE JUNGLE YET?
NOT QUITE, MISS. ANOTHER FIFTEEN MINUTES.

IT'S WILD DOWN THERE. WON'T YOU BE MORE COMFORTABLE WITHOUT THAT SUIT-CASE ON YOUR LAP?
I'LL HOLD IT.
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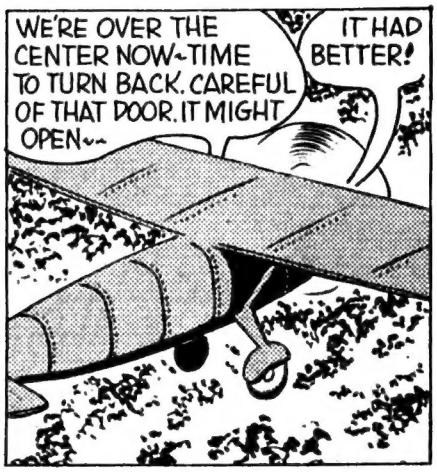
SEE THAT VILLAGE BACK THERE? PRETTY PRIMITIVE. I'VE NEVER BEEN THIS FAR BACK, MYSELF.
WILSON McCOY 4-18


WE'RE OVER THE CENTER NOW~TIME TO TURN BACK. CAREFUL OF THAT DOOR. IT MIGHT OPEN~~
IT HAD BETTER!

WILSON McCOY 4-19
TURNING BACK, MISS. WE'LL TAKE A DIFFERENT ROUTE BACK.
YOU WILL?

THANK YOU FOR THE RIDE. IF YOU HEAR ABOUT A WHITE GODDESS~THAT'LL BE ME!
MISS~~ PULL THAT DOOR SHUT!

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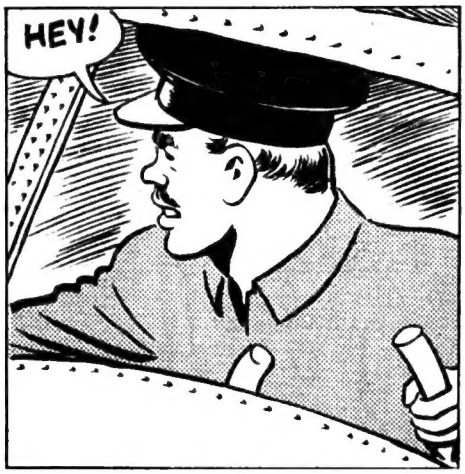

HEY!

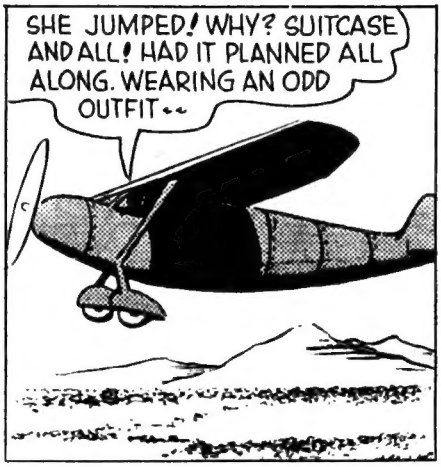
SHE JUMPED!
WILSON McCOY 4-20

IT WORKED~ THANK GOODNESS!

WHAT'LL I DO? NO PLACE TO LAND HERE~DEEP JUNGLE~ WILD TRIBES~

AND SHE VANISHES~~INTO THE HIGH TREES~

AS MAGGIE VANISHES INTO THE JUNGLE.


SHE JUMPED! WHY? SUITCASE AND ALL! HAD IT PLANNED ALL ALONG. WEARING AN ODD OUTFIT..

I CAN'T GET TOO CLOSE TO THOSE TREES ~ NO PLACE TO LAND FOR MILES ~ NOTHING TO DO BUT TURN BACK.

WHY DID SHE DO IT? WHAT WILL I TELL THE POLICE? THEY MAY (GULP) BLAME ME.
WILSON McCOY 4-22

THERE'S A TRIBE DOWN THERE! THEY SEE ME!
WILSON McCOY 4-23

SHE INSISTED ON TAKING HER SUIT-CASE AND PAYING ME BEFORE THE FLIGHT! JUST BEFORE I TURNED BACK ~ SHE PARACHUTED OUT..
HONEST, I'D NEVER TAKEN HER IF I'D KNOWN
WE'RE NOT BLAMING YOU. WE KNOW MAGGIE. SHE VISITED US FIRST.
Col. Weeks J.P.

~ASKED US ABOUT ENTERING THE JUNGLE ALONE. WE FORBADE IT. WHERE DID SHE JUMP?
ABOUT THERE.

CENTER OF THE JUNGLE! IMPOSSIBLE FOR ANYONE TO REACH HER! WHY DID SHE DO IT?
WILSON McCOY 4-24

GOOD NIGHT! I'M GOING RIGHT INTO THE KETTLE!

OF ALL THE PLACES TO LAND~IN A KETTLE OF CANNIBALS!
THAT ONE~LOOKING AT ME SO FEROCIOUSLY~HE'S GOING TO LIGHT THE FIRE~
RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF MY POTATO SOUP!
WILSON McCOY 4-25

I'VE GOT TO BRAVE IT OUT~ GOT TO THINK FAST~ BEFORE HE LIGHTS THIS FIRE!

I'VE COME FROM THE SKY~~TO BE YOUR GODDESS!

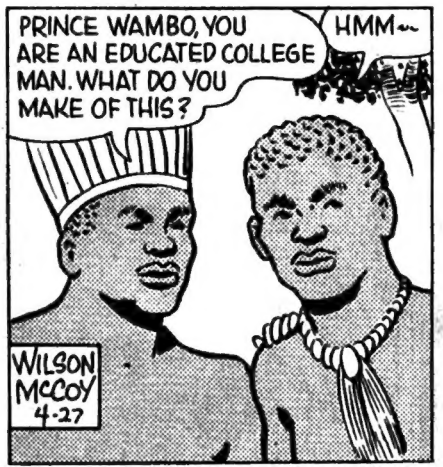
HELP HER OUT.
I WISH I COULD UNDERSTAND THEM. DO THEY UNDERSTAND ME?
SHE RUINED MY POTATO SOUP.

THEY'VE GOT TO UNDERSTAND~~
I'VE COME FROM THE SKY TO BE YOUR GODDESS
WILSON McCOY 4-26

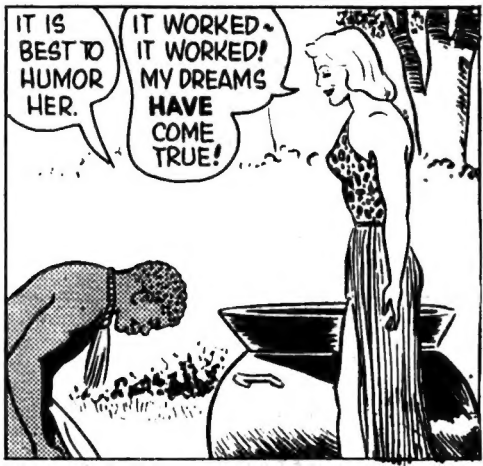
SHE SAYS SHE'S COME FROM THE SKY TO BE OUR GODDESS
GODDESS!

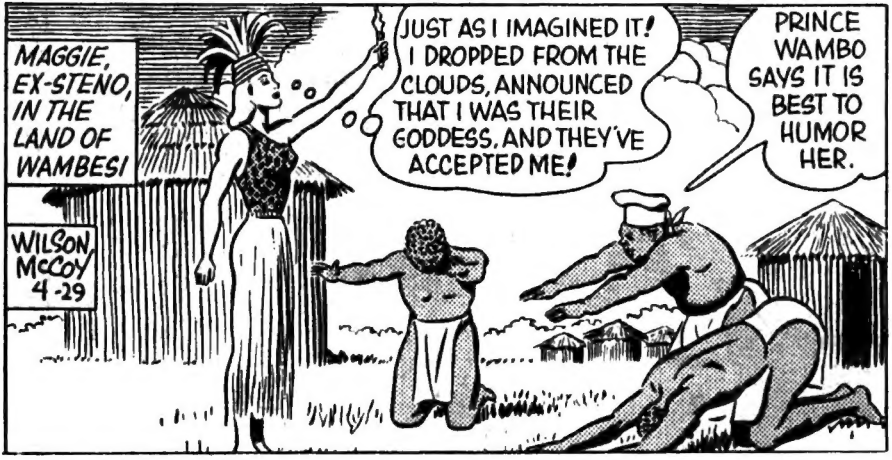
THEY UNDERSTAND! IT'S WORKING! ALL MY DREAMS ARE COMING TRUE JUST AS I IMAGINED!

I MUST KEEP SAYING IT.
I AM YOUR GODDESS FROM THE SKY~~


PRINCE WAMBO, YOU ARE AN EDUCATED COLLEGE MAN. WHAT DO YOU MAKE OF THIS?
HMM~~
WILSON McCOY 4-27

I'VE HEARD OF SUCH THINGS. I BELIEVE SHE NEEDS ANALYSIS.
IS SHE A GODDESS?

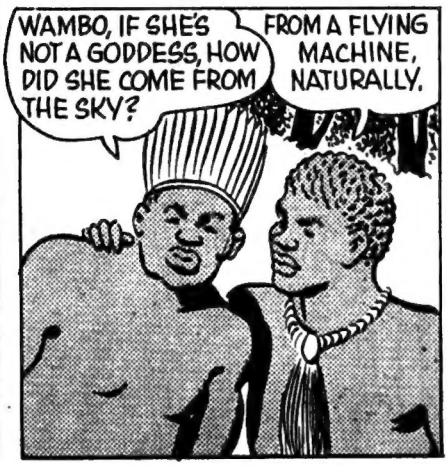

IT IS BEST TO HUMOR HER.
IT WORKED~ IT WORKED! MY DREAMS HAVE COME TRUE!


MAGGIE, EX-STENO, IN THE LAND OF WAMBESI
WILSON McCOY 4-29
JUST AS I IMAGINED IT! I DROPPED FROM THE CLOUDS, ANNOUNCED THAT I WAS THEIR GODDESS, AND THEY'VE ACCEPTED ME!
PRINCE WAMBO SAYS IT IS BEST TO HUMOR HER.

?
LET HER SIT ON YOUR THRONE, FATHER.

WAMBO, IS SHE TRULY A GODDESS?
NONSENSE. SHE IS PLAYING A GAME. WE CAN PLAY IT, TOO. ISN'T IT AMUSING?

HOW EXCITING! THEY ARE TREATING ME AS A REAL GODDESS... SERVING ME!


WAMBO, IF SHE'S NOT A GODDESS, HOW DID SHE COME FROM THE SKY?
FROM A FLYING MACHINE, NATURALLY.

NATURALLY, SHE'D NEED A MACHINE, HAVING NO WINGS.
FATHER, WOULD A GODDESS CARRY A SUITCASE?
WILSON McCOY 4-30

WHY NOT? HOW WONDERFUL THAT SHE CHOSE OUR TRIBE TO HONOR! WAIT UNTIL THE JUNGLE HEARS!
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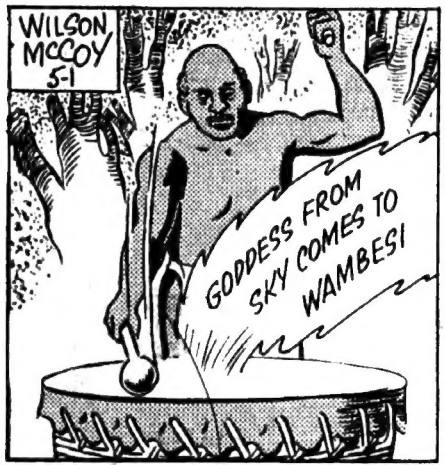
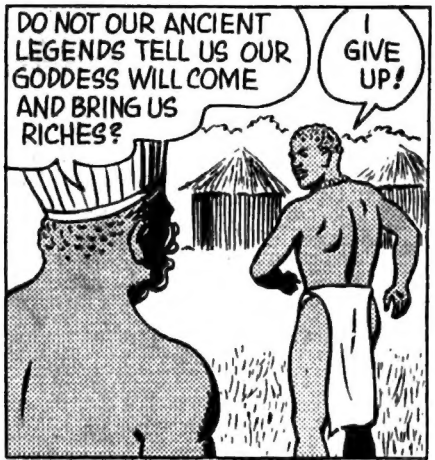
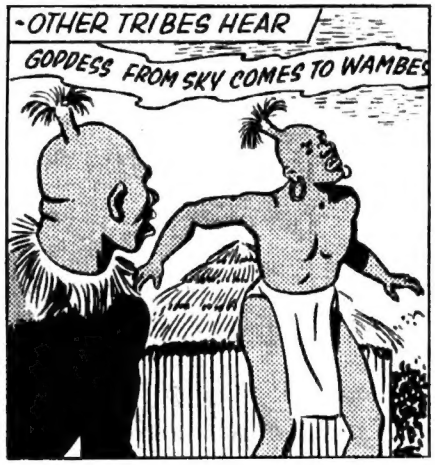
LET THE JUNGLE BE TOLD THAT THE GODDESS OF THE WAMBESI HAS HONORED US BY A VISIT FROM THE SKY!


WILSON McCOY 5-1
GODDESS FROM SKY COMES TO WAMBESI

FATHER! THERE ARE NO GODDESSES! AND ONE WITH A PARACHUTE AND A SUITCASE--
CAN'T A GODDESS KEEP UP WITH THE TIMES?


DO NOT OUR ANCIENT LEGENDS TELL US OUR GODDESS WILL COME AND BRING US RICHES?
I GIVE UP!

THE TOM-TOM BEATS SURGE THRU THE JUNGLE~
GODDESS FROM SKY COMES TO WAMBES!


~OTHER TRIBES HEAR
GODDESS FROM SKY COMES TO WAMBES

EXCITEMENT GROWS~ALL ARE EAGER TO SEE THIS MARVEL!

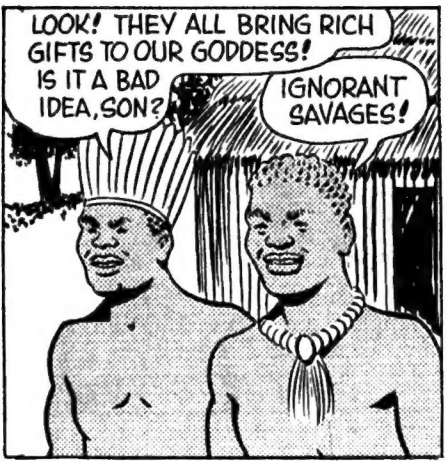
THE NEWS TRAVELS EVEN TO THE DEEP WOODS!
COMES TO WAMBES!
?
WILSON McCOY 5-2

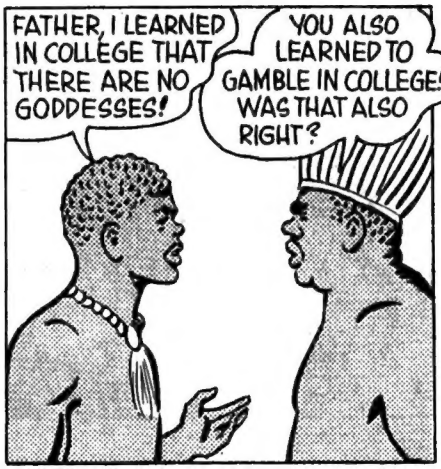
WHAT IS THIS NEWS OF A GODDESS FROM THE SKY COMING TO THE WAMBES!?
ONLY A RUMOR. NO ONE HAS SEEN HER.

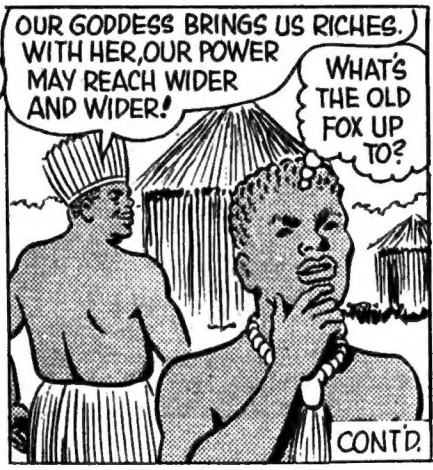
IT MAY BE ONLY A JOKE AMONG THE DRUMMERS. THEY INVENT SUCH THINGS WHEN TIMES ARE DULL.
WILSON McCOY 5-3

BUT CROWDS FROM ALL OVER THE JUNGLE RUSH TO THE WAMBES! VILLAGE~

WILSON McCOY 5-4
AN ENDLESS STREAM OF VISITORS COME TO THE WAMBES! VILLAGE~TO SEE THE GODDESS FROM THE SKY!
SO MANY~ALL BRINGING ME GIFTS! THEY REALLY BELIEVE ME A GODDESS. IT'S ALL COME TRUE!

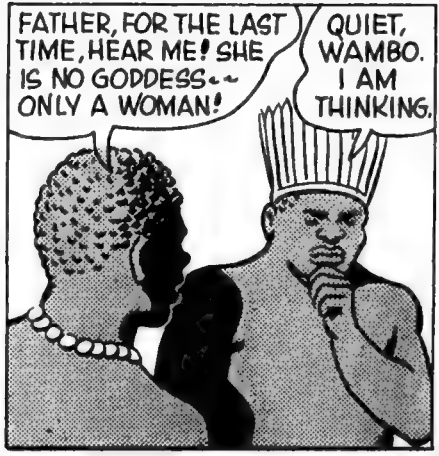

LOOK! THEY ALL BRING RICH GIFTS TO OUR GODDESS! IS IT A BAD IDEA, SON?
IGNORANT SAVAGES!

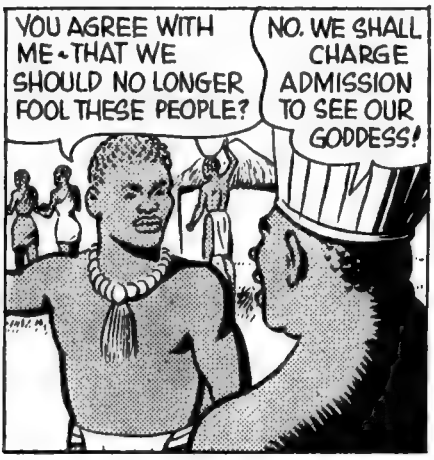

FATHER, I LEARNED IN COLLEGE THAT THERE ARE NO GODDESSES!
YOU ALSO LEARNED TO GAMBLE IN COLLEGE! WAS THAT ALSO RIGHT?

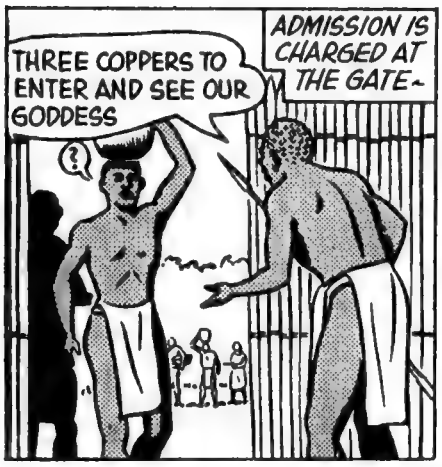

OUR GODDESS BRINGS US RICHES. WITH HER, OUR POWER MAY REACH WIDER AND WIDER!
WHAT'S THE OLD FOX UP TO?
CONT'D.

THE WORD HAS SPREAD.
IS IT TRUE - THIS GODDESS OF THE WAMBESI FROM THE SKY?
YES - MY COUSIN SAW HER!
WILSON McCOY 5-6

DAY AFTER DAY, LONG LINES OF JUNGLE FOLK, BEARING GIFTS TO THE WAMBESI GODDESS...


FATHER, FOR THE LAST TIME, HEAR ME! SHE IS NO GODDESS - - ONLY A WOMAN!
QUIET, WAMBO. I AM THINKING.


YOU AGREE WITH ME - THAT WE SHOULD NO LONGER FOOL THESE PEOPLE?
NO. WE SHALL CHARGE ADMISSION TO SEE OUR GODDESS!


THREE COPPERS TO ENTER AND SEE OUR GODDESS
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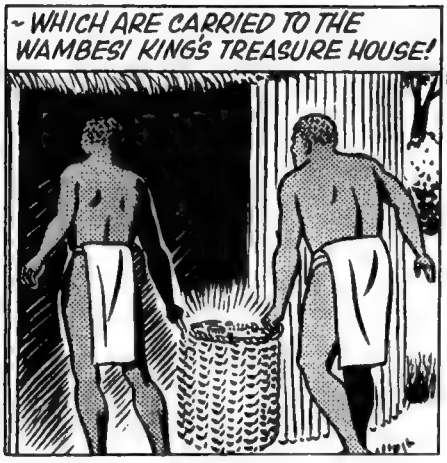
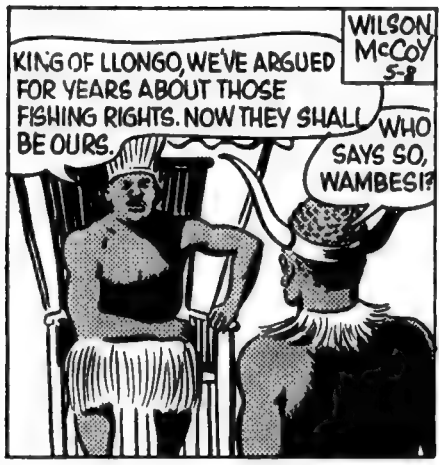
ADMISSION IS CHARGED AT THE GATE -

- AND RICH GIFTS ARE BROUGHT TO THE WAMBESI GODDESS - -
WILSON McCOY 5-7

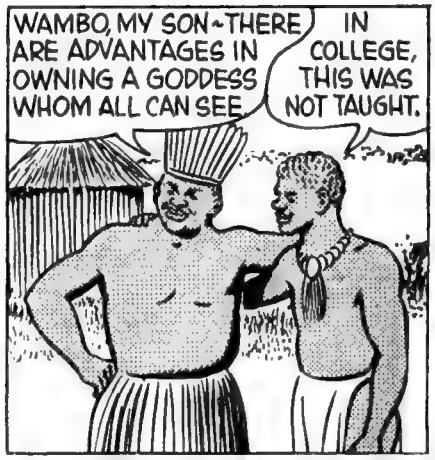

- WHICH ARE CARRIED TO THE WAMBESI KING'S TREASURE HOUSE!

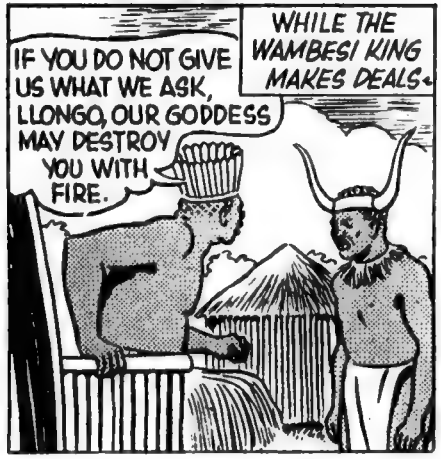
PERHAPS IT IS BETTER NOT TO BE EDUCATED - AND TO BELIEVE IN SUCH THINGS AS GODDESSES, EH, SON?
YOU OLD FOX!


WILSON McCOY 5-8
KING OF LLONGO, WE'VE ARGUED FOR YEARS ABOUT THOSE FISHING RIGHTS. NOW THEY SHALL BE OURS.
WHO SAYS SO, WAMBESI?

OUR GODDESS SAYS SO.
OH! (GULP) I SEE

AND THE HUNTING RIGHTS ALSO IN DISPUTE SHALL BE OURS.
YES -

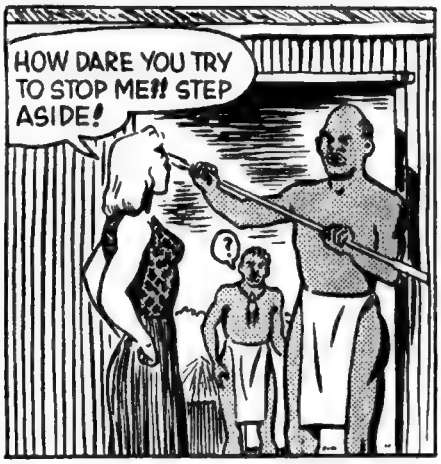

WAMBO, MY SON - THERE ARE ADVANTAGES IN OWNING A GODDESS WHOM ALL CAN SEE.
IN COLLEGE, THIS WAS NOT TAUGHT.


WHILE THE WAMBESI KING MAKES DEALS.
IF YOU DO NOT GIVE US WHAT WE ASK, LLONGO, OUR GODDESS MAY DESTROY YOU WITH FIRE.

IF BUD AND THE OFFICE STAFF COULD SEE ME NOW~ONLY A FEW WEEKS AGO, A STENO~NOW A REAL GODDESS

THOUSANDS OF NATIVES BRINGING ME PRESENTS~ BOWING TO ME~ SERVING ME~ BETTER THAN I DREAMED~

BUT~I WISH TO GO OUT FOR A WALK!
NO.
WILSON McCOY 5-9


HOW DARE YOU TRY TO STOP ME!! STEP ASIDE!
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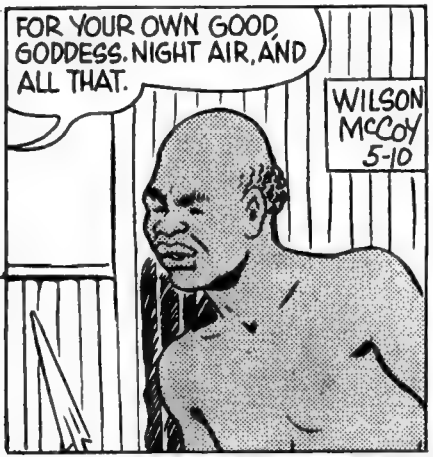
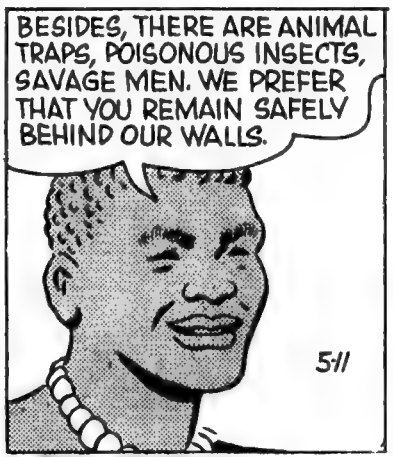
PRINCE WAMBO, WHY DOES HE STOP ME?
HE FOLLOWS ORDERS. STEP OUTSIDE, TORI.

MY FATHER THE KING BELIEVES THE NIGHT AIR IS BAD FOR OUR GODDESS.
YOU MEAN I CAN'T LEAVE THE HUT?

I WANT TO SEE THE WOODS. I'VE NEVER BEEN OUTSIDE THIS VILLAGE.
IT IS NOT FITTING FOR OUR GODDESS TO WANDER ABOUT.


FOR YOUR OWN GOOD, GODDESS. NIGHT AIR, AND ALL THAT.
WILSON McCOY 5-10


BESIDES, THERE ARE ANIMAL TRAPS, POISONOUS INSECTS, SAVAGE MEN. WE PREFER THAT YOU REMAIN SAFELY BEHIND OUR WALLS.
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YOU'RE KEEPING ME A PRISONER!
OUR GODDESS A PRISONER? NONSENSE. WE ONLY WISH TO TAKE CARE OF YOU.
CONT'D.

WHAT IS THE LATEST WORD ON THE RUMOR OF THE WHITE GODDESS OF THE WAMBESI?
MANY HAVE SEEN HER. MANY BRING RICH GIFTS. ALSO I AM TOLD THE WAMBESI CHARGE A PRICE TO SEE HER.
IT IS NOT A GOOD THING.
NO. I DO NOT APPROVE OF SUCH STATUES. BUT AS LONG AS THERE IS NO TROUBLE AND THEY KEEP THE PEACE, IT IS MY POLICY NOT TO INTERFERE.
A STATUE?
WILSON McCOY 5-13
OUR GODDESS WISHES TO SEE YOU, FATHER. SHE'S HOPPING MAD!
BRING HER HERE, WAMBO.
WHY AM I NOT ALLOWED TO LEAVE MY HUT AT NIGHT? WHY AM I NOT ALLOWED TO STEP OUTSIDE THE VILLAGE?
WHAT DOES SHE SAY, SON?
SHE SEEMS TO THINK WE ARE KEEPING HER A PRISONER.
MY FATHER SAYS YOU MISUNDERSTAND. WE ONLY WISH TO TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOU ~ SO NO HARM BEFALLS YOU.
WILSON McCOY 5-14
WHAT HAPPENS TO ALL THE PRESENTS PEOPLE BRING ME?
SAFE IN MY FATHER'S TREASURE HOUSE.
WHY DO PEOPLE PAY MONEY BEFORE SEEING ME? YOU'RE CHARGING ADMISSION ~ AS IF I WERE AN EXHIBIT!
YOU'RE KEEPING ME A PRISONER ~ USING ME ~ YOUR GODDESS!
MY FATHER'S IDEA. HE HAD ME FOOLED FOR A WHILE ~~
YOU WILL LET ME COME AND GO AS I WISH ~~ OR ~ OR I WILL DESTROY THIS TRIBE!
WILSON McCOY 5-15

WHAT DOES SHE SAY, SON?
SHE SAYS SHE WANTS COMPLETE FREEDOM, OR SHE WILL DESTROY OUR VILLAGE.

WHAT A FOOL I'VE BEEN ~ I CAN'T DO ANYTHING.
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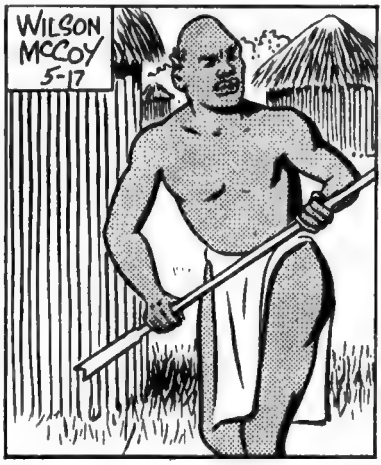
WILSON McCOY 5-16

I'M GOING TO GET OUT OF HERE ~ NOW!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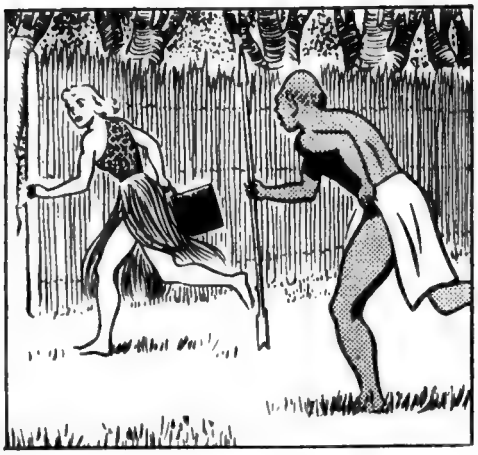
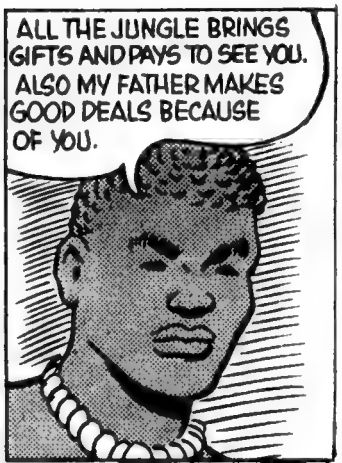
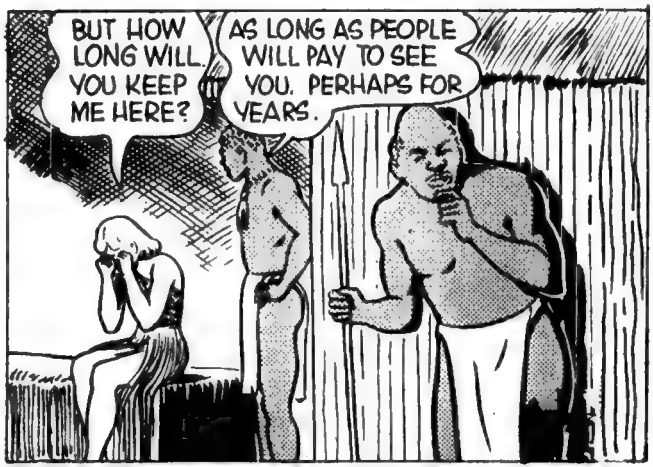
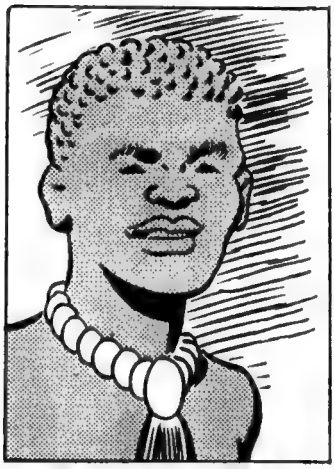


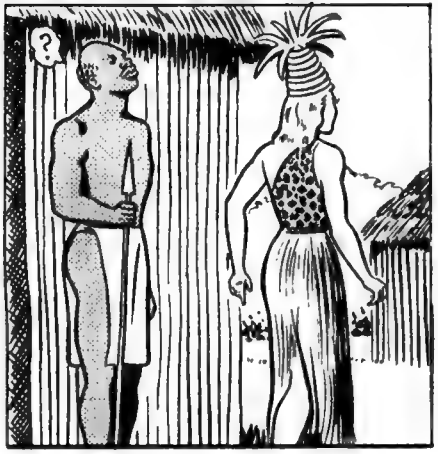
LET ME GO ~ LET ME GO!
NOW, LADY, LISTEN. WE MEAN YOU NO HARM. WE DID NOT INVITE YOU. YOU CAME OF YOUR OWN WILL.
BUT WE FIND WE MAKE MUCH MONEY BY YOUR PRESENCE.
WILSON McCOY 5-18


ALL THE JUNGLE BRINGS GIFTS AND PAYS TO SEE YOU. ALSO MY FATHER MAKES GOOD DEALS BECAUSE OF YOU.


BUT HOW LONG WILL YOU KEEP ME HERE?
AS LONG AS PEOPLE WILL PAY TO SEE YOU. PERHAPS FOR YEARS.



UNTIL PEOPLE WILL NO LONGER PAY TO SEE YOU, YOU WILL REMAIN HERE, GODDESS!
NOW THE PEOPLE ARE WAITING~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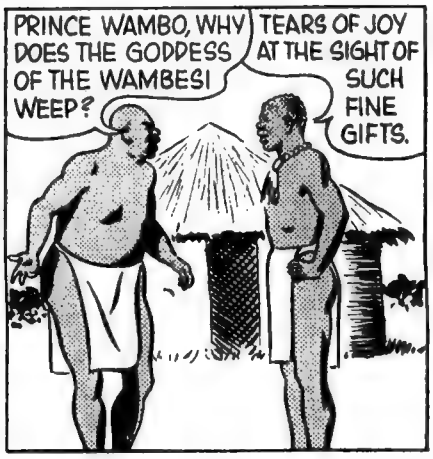
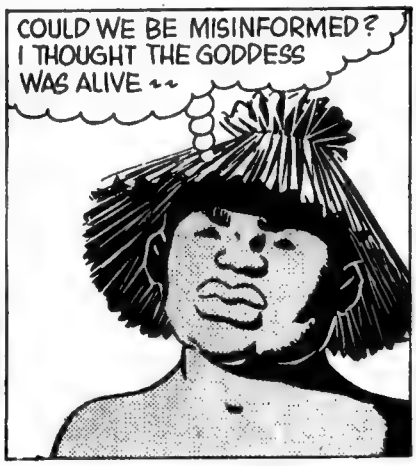
THIS MAY GO ON FOR THE REST OF MY LIFE
WILSON McCOY 5-20

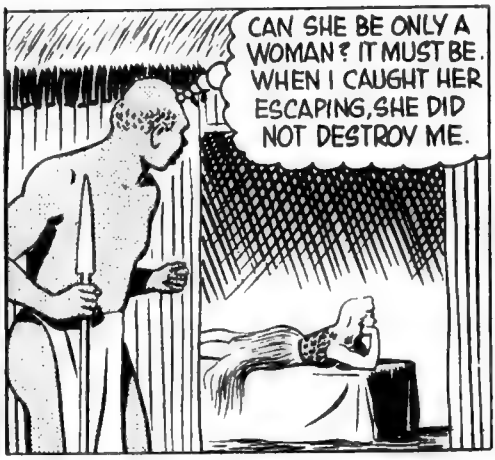

PRINCE WAMBO, WHY DOES THE GODDESS OF THE WAMBESI WEEP?
TEARS OF JOY AT THE SIGHT OF SUCH FINE GIFTS.

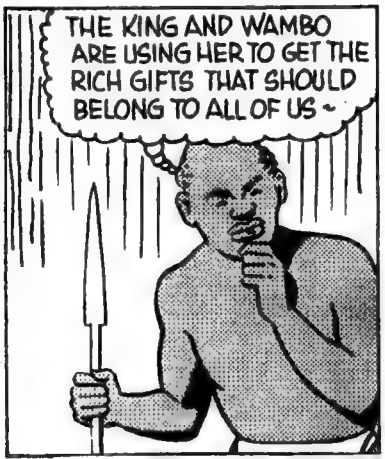
I MUST GO TO THE COAST FOR A SHORT TIME, GURAN.
YES, O GHOST WHO WALKS.
WILSON McCOY 5-21

KEEP YOUR EARS OPEN FOR ANY NEWS ABOUT THAT STATUE THAT THE WAMBESI CALL THEIR GODDESS. IT MAY LEAD TO TROUBLE.

BUT I DID NOT UNDERSTAND THE GODDESS WAS A STATUE~
WHAT ELSE COULD IT BE? IGNORANT IDOL WORSHIP~


COULD WE BE MISINFORMED? I THOUGHT THE GODDESS WAS ALIVE~~


CAN SHE BE ONLY A WOMAN? IT MUST BE. WHEN I CAUGHT HER ESCAPING, SHE DID NOT DESTROY ME.

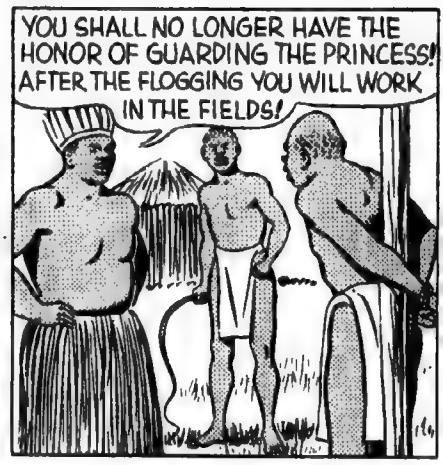

THE KING AND WAMBO ARE USING HER TO GET THE RICH GIFTS THAT SHOULD BELONG TO ALL OF US~

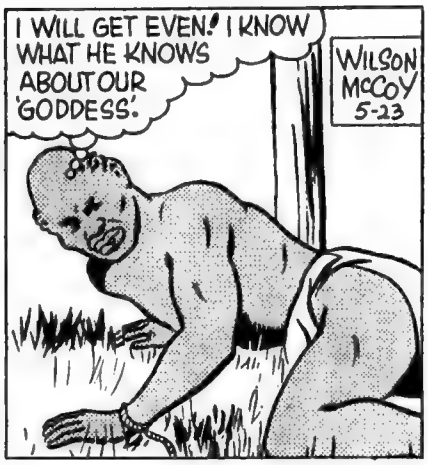
I WARN YOU, WAMBESI~ YOU PRESS US TOO FAR!
IT IS SETTLED. THE GREEN WOODS ARE OURS. OUR GODDESS DEMANDS IT!

DID YOU HEAR THE LLONGO KING SQUEAL? I'VE ONLY STARTED. THEY'VE MORE WE WANT!
WILSON McCOY 5-22

WHAT WAS THE TROUBLE?
WE CAUGHT A THIEF IN THE TREASURE HOUSE! TORI, THE GUARD OF THE GODDESS!

THE GIFTS OF THE GODDESS BELONG TO ALL OF US ~
FLOG HIM!

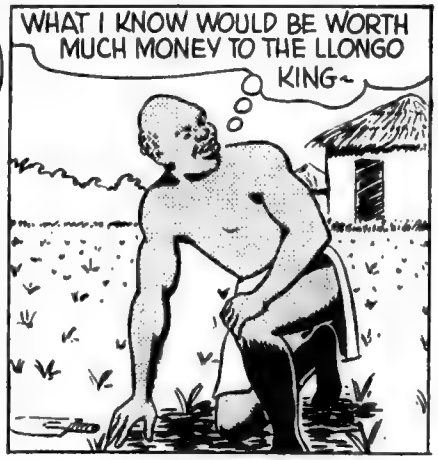

YOU SHALL NO LONGER HAVE THE HONOR OF GUARDING THE PRINCESS! AFTER THE FLOGGING YOU WILL WORK IN THE FIELDS!

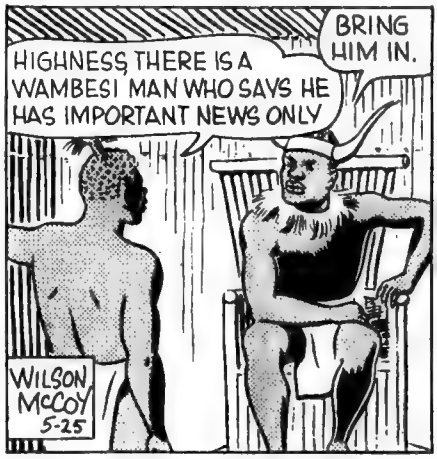

I WILL GET EVEN! I KNOW WHAT HE KNOWS ABOUT OUR 'GODDESS'.
WILSON McCOY 5-23

WILSON McCOY 5-24
I KNOW THAT OUR 'GODDESS' IS ONLY A WOMAN! IF I TELL THEY'D KILL ME. HOW CAN I USE IT?

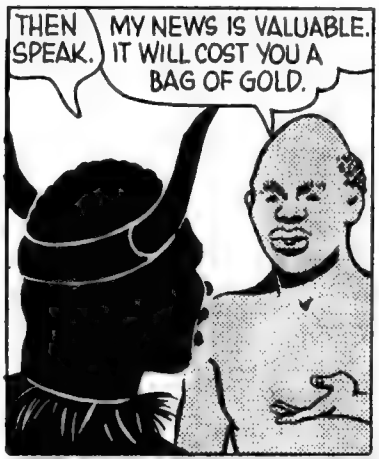
THE WAMBESI ARE BLEEDING US OF LAND AND STREAMS! I WILL NOT GIVE ANY MORE!
WHAT CAN WE DO AGAINST THEIR GODDESS?

ARE WE CERTAIN SHE IS A GODDESS?
CAN WE TAKE THE CHANCE OF HAVING OUR VILLAGES DESTROYED, HIGHNESS?


WHAT I KNOW WOULD BE WORTH MUCH MONEY TO THE LLONGO KING~


HIGHNESS, THERE IS A WAMBESI MAN WHO SAYS HE HAS IMPORTANT NEWS ONLY
BRING HIM IN.
WILSON McCOY 5-25

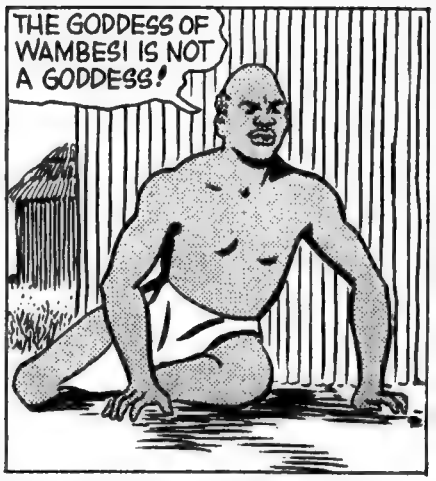
WHAT IS THIS NEWS? MORE DEMANDS FROM YOUR GODDESS?
NO, NO. GOOD NEWS FOR YOU, KING OF LLONGO.


THEN SPEAK.
MY NEWS IS VALUABLE. IT WILL COST YOU A BAG OF GOLD.

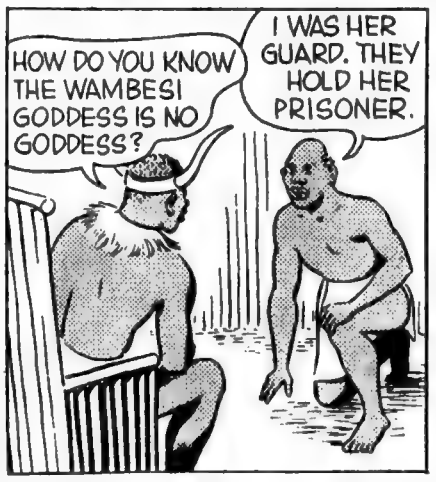
YOU DARE BARGAIN WITH ME! TAKE HIM OUT AND ~~
HIGHNESS ~ MY NEWS IS WORTH HALF YOUR KINGDOM!

WILSON McCOY 5-27
YOU DARE COME AND BARGAIN WITH ME FOR INFORMATION!—TAKE HIM OUT AND DESTROY HIM!

HIGHNESS~ HIGHNESS~ THIS IS ABOUT THE GODDESS!
WAIT!


THE GODDESS OF WAMBESI IS NOT A GODDESS!

IF SHE IS NOT A GODDESS~WHAT IS SHE?
AN ORDINARY WOMAN!


HOW DO YOU KNOW THE WAMBESI GODDESS IS NO GODDESS?
I WAS HER GUARD. THEY HOLD HER PRISONER.

"ONCE SHE TRIED TO ESCAPE. I STOPPED HER~SHE DID NOTHING TO ME~"

NOW WILL YOU GIVE ME A BAG OF GOLD?
TIE HIM UP~ THEN LOCK HIM UP!

THIS IS GOOD NEWS!
WILSON McCOY 5-28

CAN WE BELIEVE THE WAMBESI INFORMER~ THAT THE GODDESS IS FALSE?
YES, HIS STORY RINGS TRUE. NOW~ WHAT TO DO?

WE CAN DECLARE WAR ON THE WAMBESI
THAT WOULD BRING THE WRATH OF THE PHANTOM UPON US.

WE COULD TELL THE JUNGLE~AND ALL THOSE WHO BROUGHT GIFTS~ OF THE LIE.
WE CAN DO BETTER THAN THAT.

WE CAN STEAL THE GIRL. THEN SHE WILL BE OUR LLONGO GODDESS~ALL WILL BRING US RICHES~INCLUDING THE WAMBESI!
WILSON McCOY 5-29

JUNGLE PATROL HQ
HERE'S THE MONTHLY REPORT FOR OUR COMMANDER. ER~I HATE TO ASK, BUT WHO IS HE, COLONEL?
ONE DOESN'T ASK, PRIVATE.

NO ONE KNOWS. HOW DOES HE GET THESE REPORTS IN THIS LOCKED ROOM? IS HE ONE MAN OR TWENTY?

HOW DOES HE GET HIS ORDERS IN THIS SAFE? NO ONE ASKS. IT'S BEEN THIS WAY SINCE THE FOUNDING OF THE JUNGLE PATROL.

THAT NIGHT, NEAR JUNGLE PATROL HQ..
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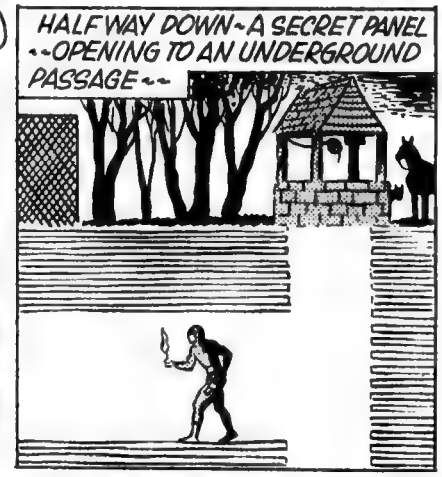
WILSON McCOY 5-31
WAIT HERE, FELLOWS.
POISON WATER


HALF WAY DOWN~A SECRET PANEL ~~OPENING TO AN UNDERGROUND PASSAGE~~

~LEADING TO THE LOCKER ROOM IN JUNGLE PATROL HQ!

THE JUNGLE PATROL'S UNKNOWN COMMANDER!
HMM~WHAT'S THIS?!—GIRL VANISHED IN JUNGLE!

JUNGLE PATROL COMMANDER'S MONTHLY REPORT.
"~SHE VISITED MY OFFICE, STATING SHE WISHED TO VISIT JUNGLE ALL ALONE. PERMISSION REFUSED."

"~SHE HIRED PLANE~AND WITHOUT FOREKNOWLEDGE OF PILOT PARACHUTED INTO CENTRAL JUNGLE.~NO WORD SINCE~~ SIGNED, COL. WEEKS, J.P."

CAN THIS BE THE WHITE GODDESS OF THE WAMBESI? I THOUGHT IT WAS A STATUE~!

THIS NEEDS LOOKING INTO AT ONCE!
WILSON McCOY 6-1

IN THE WAMBESI VILLAGE
YOU CANNOT LEAVE! KING'S ORDERS!
THEY MAY KEEP ME A PRISONER HERE FOR YEARS!

I'VE GOT TO ESCAPE FROM THIS PLACE! BUT HOW? THINK, MAGGIE, THINK!

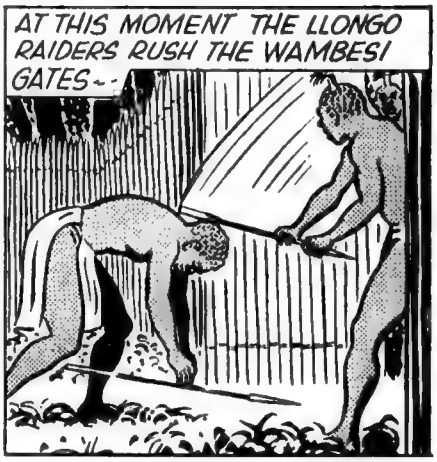
OUTSIDE THE VILLAGE~A LLONGO RAIDING PARTY~~
WILSON McCOY 6-3

~~COMING TO STEAL THE "GODDESS"!
JUST INSIDE THE GATES~ A LARGE HUT~THE GODDESS IS IN IT.
ONLY ONE GUARD.

I AM~SICK! GO AND TELL THE KING.

GODDESS SICK! THIS IS IMPORTANT! COULD BE SERIOUS!

IT'S NOW OR NEVER!
WILSON McCOY 6-7


AT THIS MOMENT THE LLONGO RAIDERS RUSH THE WAMBESI GATES~~

YOU FOOL! YOU LEFT HER UNGUARDED?
BUT~SHE SAID SHE WAS SICK!

AS THE LLONGO RAIDING PARTY ENTER THE WAMBESI VILLAGE TO STEAL THE "GODDESS"~~
QUICK~~THRU THE GATES~~
HER HUT IS JUST BEYOND~

THAT IS HER HUT~ AND UNGUARDED! GOOD!

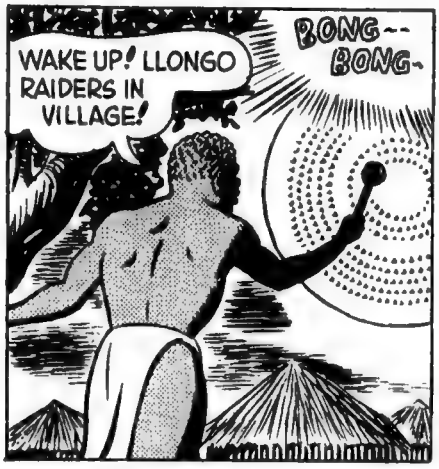
WHO ARE THOSE MEN?
WILSON McCOY 6-5

HUT OF GODDESS~ EMPTY!
MAYBE SHE'S HIDING!

NO SIGN OF HER!
WILSON McCOY 6-6

FOOL~TO LEAVE HER UNGUARDED~ HEY~
LLONGO WARRIORS! A RAIDING PARTY! SOUND THE ALARM!
!

THE GATES ARE OPEN. NO ONE'S WATCHING. IF I CAN GET THRU, I'LL BE FREE!


WAKE UP! LLONGO RAIDERS IN VILLAGE!
BONG-- BONG-

LLONGO!

LLONGO DOG! STEAL OUR GODDESS?
WAMBESI PIG!

THEY'RE FIGHTING OVER ME!
WILSON McCOY 6-7

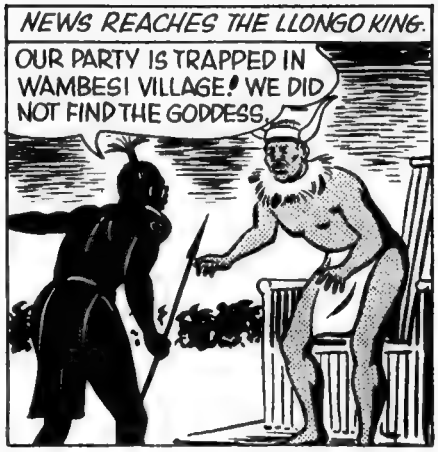
THE LLONGO RAIDING PARTY TRIES TO FIGHT ITS WAY OUT.

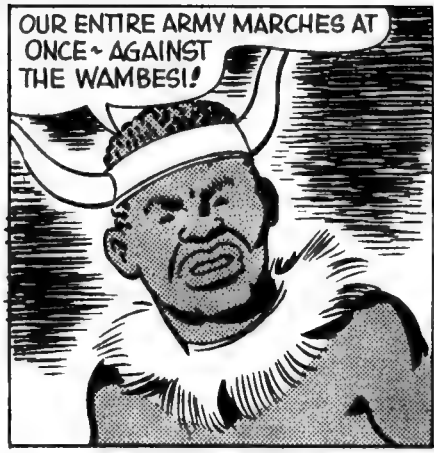
DON'T LET THEM ESCAPE WITH OUR GODDESS! FIGHT! FIGHT!

I ESCAPED! I'M OUT OF THE VILLAGE-- AT LAST!

FREE~AND ALONE~ IN THE DARK, MYSTERIOUS JUNGLE!
UHH--WHAT WAS THAT? JUST AN OWL-- I HOPE!
WILSON McCOY 6-8

THE LLONGO RAIDERS FIGHT DESPERATELY TO REACH THE GATES
DON'T LET ONE LLONGO DOG ESCAPE! THEY'VE STOLEN OUR GODDESS!


NEWS REACHES THE LLONGO KING.
OUR PARTY IS TRAPPED IN WAMBESI VILLAGE! WE DID NOT FIND THE GODDESS.


OUR ENTIRE ARMY MARCHES AT ONCE ~ AGAINST THE WAMBESI!

~AND THE JUNGLE FACES WAR!
ON TO WAMBESI!
WILSON McCOY 6-10

AS THE LLONGO ARMY CHARGES TOWARD THE WAMBESI VILLAGE~
DEATH ~TO WAMBESI!

IN THE JUNGLE, MAGGIE~THE "GODDESS"~ HEARS THE SHOUTS OF ANGRY MEN~
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WHY DID I COME TO THIS AWFUL PLACE? WHY DIDN'T I STAY WHERE I BELONG ~WORKING AS A STENO FOR MR. KLUMPF?
WILSON McCOY 6-11

AND SWEET BUDDY ~WANTED TO MARRY ME ~ WILL I EVER SEE HIM AGAIN?

IF I KEEP RUNNING I MAY GET SOME-PLACE, SOME TOWN, SOMEWHERE~

THE GREAT LEOPARD FOLLOWS SILENTLY~

WHAT'S THAT LOOKING AT ME? A LEOPARD!

H-E-L-P!
WILSON McCOY 6-12

AS MAGGIE RUNS~SHE TRIPS~
OH
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A SHOT RINGS OUT IN THE DARK JUNGLE NIGHT~

THIS ~ IS THE END~~
YOU CAN LOOK NOW.
WILSON McCOY 6-13

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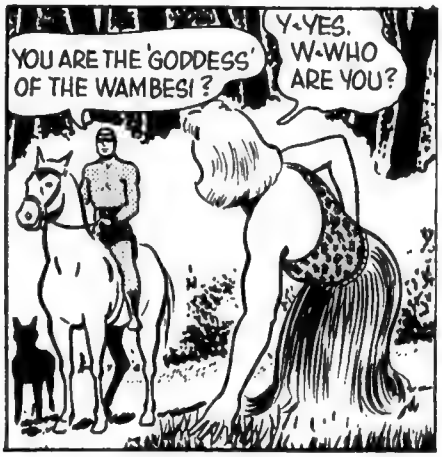

YOU ARE THE 'GODDESS' OF THE WAMBESI?
Y~YES. W~WHO ARE YOU?

I WAS ON MY WAY TO THE WAMBESI VILLAGE WHEN I SAW YOU.
LUCKY I CAME THIS WAY~~

NOW YOU'D BETTER COME WITH ME.
N-N-NO~~

ESCAPED FROM THE WAMBESI~ TO BE CAPTURED BY A MASKED MAN! FROM THE FRYING PAN INTO THE FIRE!
WAIT!
WILSON McCOY 6-14

WAIT!
NO! GO AWAY!

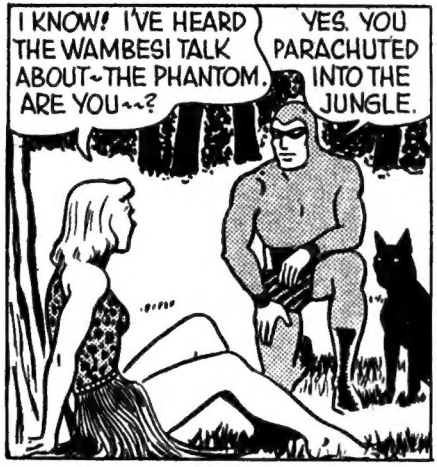
WILSON McCOY 6-15

LET ME GO~ LET ME GO!
DON'T BE AFRAID. I'M TRYING TO HELP YOU~

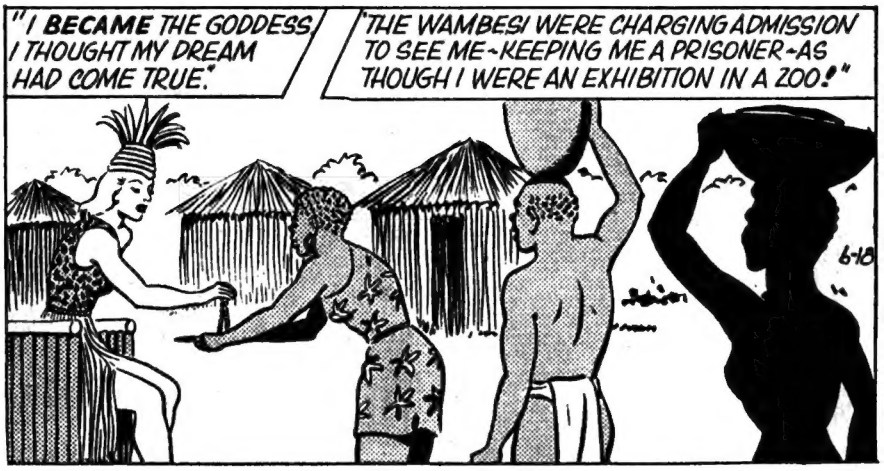
FAINTED
UHHH~

DON'T BE AFRAID. HE WON'T BITE.

WHAT~ HAPPENED?
YOU FAINTED. TOO MUCH EXCITEMENT FOR ONE GIRL.


I KNOW! I'VE HEARD THE WAMBESI TALK ABOUT~THE PHANTOM. ARE YOU~~?
YES. YOU PARACHUTED INTO THE JUNGLE.

DO YOU KNOW EVERYTHING, LIKE THEY SAY?
NO. PEOPLE TELL ME THINGS. TELL ME YOUR STORY.
WILSON McCOY 6-17


"I BECAME THE GODDESS/ I THOUGHT MY DREAM HAD COME TRUE."
"THE WAMBESI WERE CHARGING ADMISSION TO SEE ME~KEEPING ME A PRISONER~AS THOUGH I WERE AN EXHIBITION IN A ZOO!"
6-18

I WORKED AS A STENO FOR MR. KLUMPF. I WAS BORED~I DREAMED OF BEING A GODDESS IN SOME JUNGLE~

"SOMEHOW I MANAGED~~I HIRED A PLANE~~AND JUMPED~~"

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"I WAS A PRISONER~ I WASN'T ALLOWED TO GO ALONE ANY-WHERE"

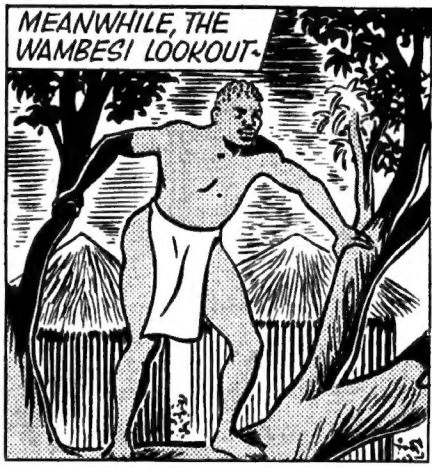
"MEN FROM ANOTHER TRIBE ATTACKED THE WAMBESI~~I ESCAPED IN THE CONFUSION~"

I THINK THEY WERE FROM THE LLONGO VILLAGE
LLONGO~WAMBESI FIGHTING? COME!

WHERE ARE WE GOING?
TO STOP THE FIGHTING~ IF WE'RE NOT TOO LATE! GO, HERO!

THE LLONGO RAIDERS ARE CAPTURED AFTER A FURIOUS FIGHT.

LLONGO DOGS! WHERE IS OUR GODDESS? YOU STOLE HER!
NO-WE DIDN'T SEE HER. HER HUT WAS EMPTY!


MEANWHILE, THE WAMBESI LOOKOUT-

THE LLONGO ARE COMING- THEIR WHOLE ARMY- THOUSANDS AND THOUSANDS!
WILSON McCOY 6-20

THE WAMBESI WARRIORS RUSH THRU THE GATES-
DEATH TO THE LLONGO!

-TO MEET THE CHARGE OF THE LLONGO ARMY-

STAY THERE, BEHIND THAT TREE. DON'T MOVE!
YES, SIR.

WILSON McCOY 6-21

STOP THE FIGHTING! LET THE KINGS OF LLONGO AND WAMBESI APPROACH ME!

WHY DO YOU BREAK THE PHANTOM PEACE?
THE LLONGO STOLE OUR GODDESS!

WE DIDN'T STEAL HER! WE DO NOT HAVE HER!
YOU LIE! SHE IS GONE! WHERE?

WHERE IS SHE, YOU WHO KNOW ALL, O GHOST WHO WALKS?
WILSON McCOY 6-22
SHE HAS RETURNED TO THE SKY.

USING HIS GODDESS, THE WAMBESI KING CHEATED US OF OUR LANDS.
WAMBESI WILL RETURN THE LANDS.

RETURN TO YOUR VILLAGES. THERE WILL BE NO MORE FIGHTING. THERE WILL BE NO MORE "GODDESSES."
BUT WHERE IS THE GODDESS?

THE "GODDESS"--WHO IS A FRIEND OF THE PHANTOM--WAS ASHAMED THAT YOU FOUGHT OVER HER~ SHE HAS RETURNED TO THE SKY!
WILSON McCOY 6-24

AND WAR BETWEEN THE TWO GREATEST JUNGLE TRIBES IS STOPPED BEFORE IT STARTS!

YOU REALIZE YOU ALMOST CAUSED A WAR?
I-I-KNOW. I'M SORRY. I DIDN'T MEAN TO DO ANYTHING LIKE THAT~

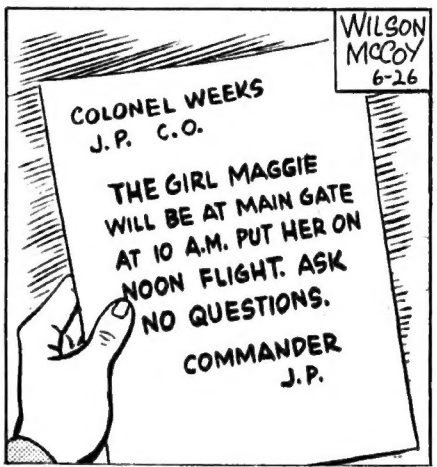
I GUESS YOU'RE THINKING I'M A SILLY GIRL~ WANTING TO BE A JUNGLE GODDESS.
MOST PEOPLE HAVE DAY-DREAMS, MAGGIE~

~FEW ARE FOOLISH ENOUGH-OR HAVE THE COURAGE-TO FOLLOW THRU AS YOU HAVE.
WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO ME NOW?

I TOLD THE TRIBES YOU'VE RETURNED TO THE SKY. I CANNOT LIE TO THEM. THAT'S WHERE YOU'LL GO.
WILSON McCOY 6-25

SIR, ANY NEWS ABOUT THAT GIRL MAGGIE WHO PARACHUTED INTO THE JUNGLE?
NONE. SHE'S GONE. WE'LL SEE IF THERE ARE ANY ORDERS TODAY.
Commander JUNGLE PATROL

THERE IS AN ORDER HERE!
HOW DO THEY GET HERE? WHO IS THE COMMANDER? NOBODY KNOWS~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COLONEL WEEKS J.P. C.O.
THE GIRL MAGGIE WILL BE AT MAIN GATE AT 10 A.M. PUT HER ON NOON FLIGHT. ASK NO QUESTIONS.
COMMANDER J.P.

THERE SHE IS!
HOW DOES HE KNOW ALL THESE THINGS?

IF I KNEW WHO BROUGHT HER HERE I'D KNOW WHO OUR COMMANDER IS!
MY ORDERS ARE TO ASK NO QUESTIONS.
I KNOW. MY ORDERS WERE TO ANSWER NONE. MY CLOTHES ARE AT THE AIR-PORT.
WE'LL GO AT ONCE.
WILSON McCOY 6-27

GOODBYE ~~ NOW I SEE~I'M GOING BACK INTO THE SKY AS HE SAID I WOULD
IF THIS DOESN'T BEAT EVERY-THING!

MAGGIE'S GOING BACK WHERE SHE BELONGS~ THANK GOODNESS!

BUDDY~~AM I GLAD TO SEE YOU!
MAGGIE, I GOT YOUR WIRE. WHERE'VE YOU BEEN? WHAT HAPPENED TO YOU?
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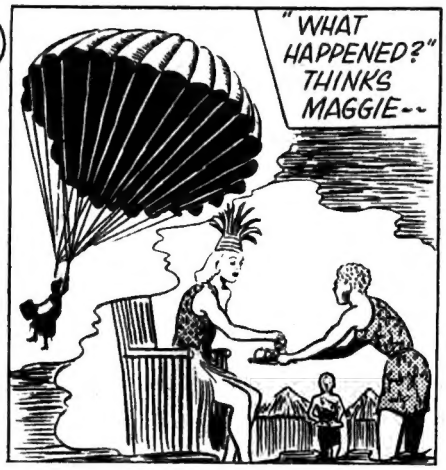
"WHAT HAPPENED?" THINKS MAGGIE~~

MEMORIES WHIRL THRU HER MIND~
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NOTHING MUCH HAPPENED. I WAS AWAY. I'M BACK AND GLAD TO BE WITH YOU, BUDDY!
BA-BEE

THE LLONGO~
PHANTOM SAID GODDESS RETURNED TO SKY. MAYBE SHE WAS REAL.
IMAGINE~ IF WE'D CAPTURED HER, WE'D BE DESTROYED.

WERE WE WRONG ABOUT HER, WAMBO? PHANTOM SAID SHE RETURNED TO THE SKY. HE NEVER LIES.
HE'S CLEVERER THAN WE ARE.

I MISS HER. THINGS WERE EXCITING WHILE SHE WAS HERE~
~AND PROSPEROUS! WE HAD TO GIVE EVERYTHING BACK!
WILSON McCOY 6-29

THE JUNGLE IS QUIET AGAIN, WITH THE GODDESS GONE~THANKS TO YOU.
LET'S HOPE IT STAYS THAT WAY.